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SECDEF VISIT TO PAKISTAN

Additional Talking Paper

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Foreign Minister Yaqub-Khan.

Background: You have met Foreign Minister Yaqub-Khan on several occasions here in Washington [REDACTED]

Since this meeting in all likelihood will be fairly brief, we [REDACTED]

To that end, however, we think that Yaqub-Khan will want to touch on the following topics:

- your visits to China and India;
  - his comments on the U.N. General Assembly sessions, to include the Afghanistan question and the presence as observers of the Afghan resistance alliance;
  - prognosis for short-term scenarios on Afghanistan, to include Soviet political strategies aimed at Pakistan;
  - his comments on the Iran-Iraq War; and
  - his thoughts on the situation in the Middle East.
- [REDACTED]

Suggested Talking Points.

CHINA/INDIA (Tabs N-2 and N-3)

- Summarize as desired your sessions in Beijing. [REDACTED]
- Offer your assessment of Indian perceptions of Indo-Pakistani relations. [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED] on current Sino-Pakistani and Indo-Pakistani relations, and what benchmarks for improvement [REDACTED] the next few years.

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AFGHANISTAN/UNGA (Tab P)

- Elicit [REDACTED] on the UNGA situation over the Afghanistan resolutions and his efforts to maintain the significant majority opposing the Soviet occupation.
- Express our continued firm support for Pakistan's Afghanistan policy and determination to work closely to [REDACTED] Soviet withdrawal within a reasonable timeframe.
- Solicit [REDACTED] on the diplomatic/propaganda value of the presence of Afghan resistance representatives at the UNGA and other international fora.

SOVIET POLITICAL STRATEGIES (Tab N-1)

- Inquire into [REDACTED] likely Soviet short-term strategies to increase pressure on Pakistan.
- Seek [REDACTED] of the effects on Pakistan-Soviet relations from the recent Islamabad assassination of a Soviet military attache.

IRAN-IRAQ WAR (Tab N-4)

- Inquire into [REDACTED] of the current tactical situation and the likely developments in the coming months.
- Solicit his views on [REDACTED] or ideas that might be considered to break the diplomatic impasse in ending the fighting.

MIDDLE EAST (Tab N-5)

- Express our continuing appreciation for Pakistan's role in moderating [REDACTED] views over the Middle East, [REDACTED]
- Seek [REDACTED] prospects for any improvement in [REDACTED] relations.